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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT:

Meeting on China at Senator Culver's Residence

On the evening of 11 May a group of Senators (Cranston, D., California, Culver, D., Iowa, Chafee, R., Rhode Island, and Glenn, D., Ohio) met at Culver's home with Executive Branch members (Oksenberg, (NSC), Armacost (NSC), Gleysteen (State), Roy (State), and myself to discuss China. The discussion centered on U.S. policy towards China, the situation in China, and problems of "normalization". It was a good give-and-take session. My remarks were devoted to defining the problem, giving the evidence and developing trends. The State group advocated movement on normalization soon and presented its reasons. The Senators, in their remarks, dealt with the problems of Congressional and U.S. public reaction to normalization and to the issue of Taiwan. This appeared to be a one time session - no follow up was planned.

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